Peer Support Specialist - One-Year Fellowship

**Location:** Primarily Lawrence Public Library, with additional training sites in various social service agencies throughout Douglas County

**Pay:** $15.00 per hour, part-time, 19 hours per week, not benefits eligible.

**General Responsibilities and Duties**
- The primary responsibility of the Peer Support Specialist is to provide peer support services at the Lawrence Public Library, as a part of the Douglas County Peer Fellowship Program
- The Peer Support Specialist will provide engagement, support, intervention, and referral to other Douglas County social service agencies, as needed

**Specific duties**
Provide peer support to library patrons with mental health and substance use problems, to include but not limited to:
- Provide information and education about the recovery process
- Refer to other Douglas County services, when appropriate
- Collaborate with and provide consultation to library staff, to enhance skill and effectiveness in communicating with library patrons with mental health problems
- Adhere to appropriate professional boundaries with these individuals and provide education about the treatment and/or recovery process
- Provide coordination, recommendations, documentation related to patron encounters

**Qualifications:**
- A High School diploma or GED
- Ability to pass required security background checks
- Reliable transportation and a valid, unrestricted driver's license
- Be a past or present consumer of behavioral health services
- Complete KDADS Certified Peer Specialist certification prior to beginning work; training is free and available online at: https://www.kdads.ks.gov/commissions/behavioralhealth/training-registration-and-surveys/peer-support-training

**To apply:**
- Applicants should send their resume, along with a cover letter describing their interest in the position and qualifications to bliese@kumc.edu
- Letters should list three references, including: full name of reference, relationship to the applicant (e.g., supervisor), and contact information (phone and email address)